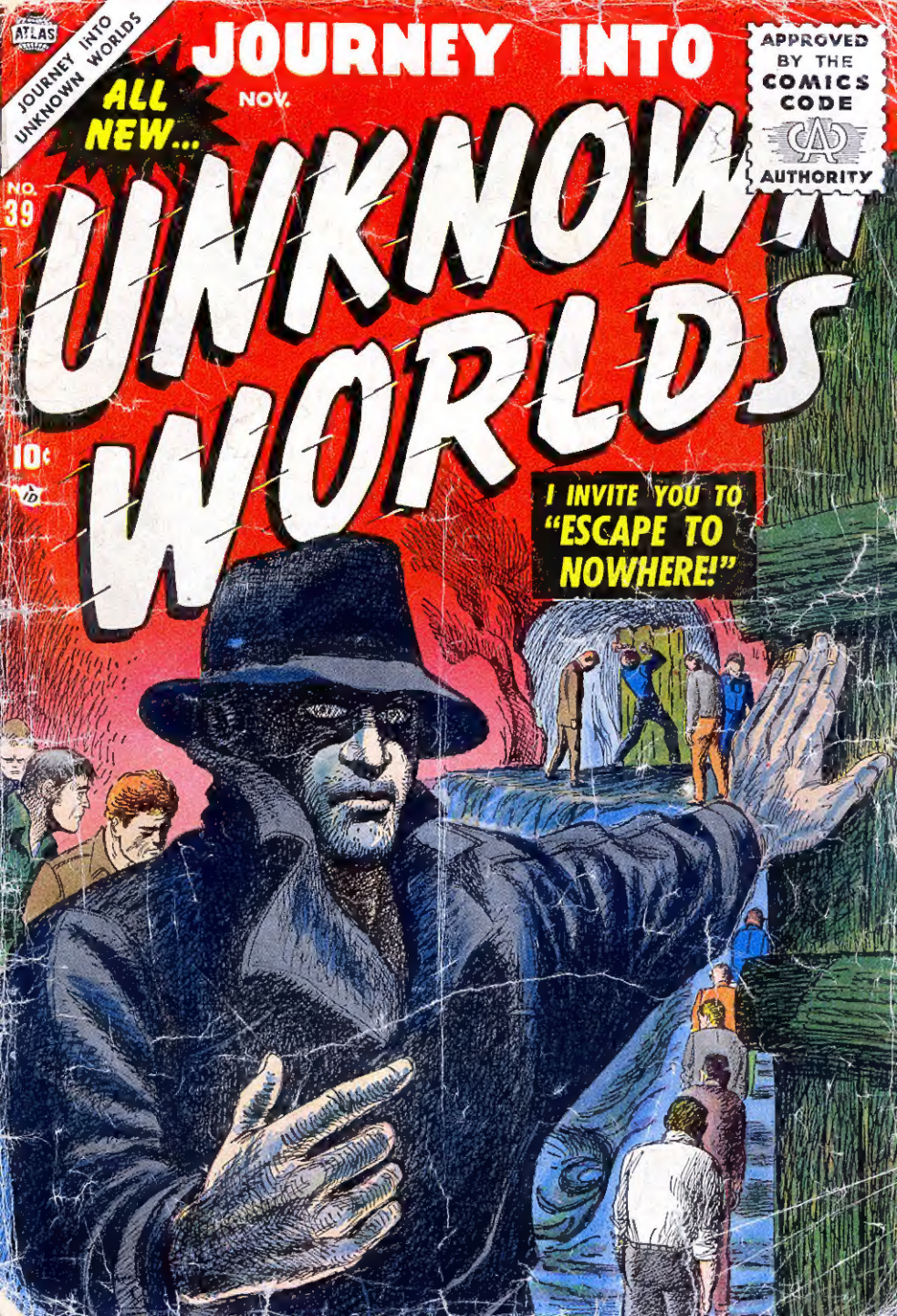
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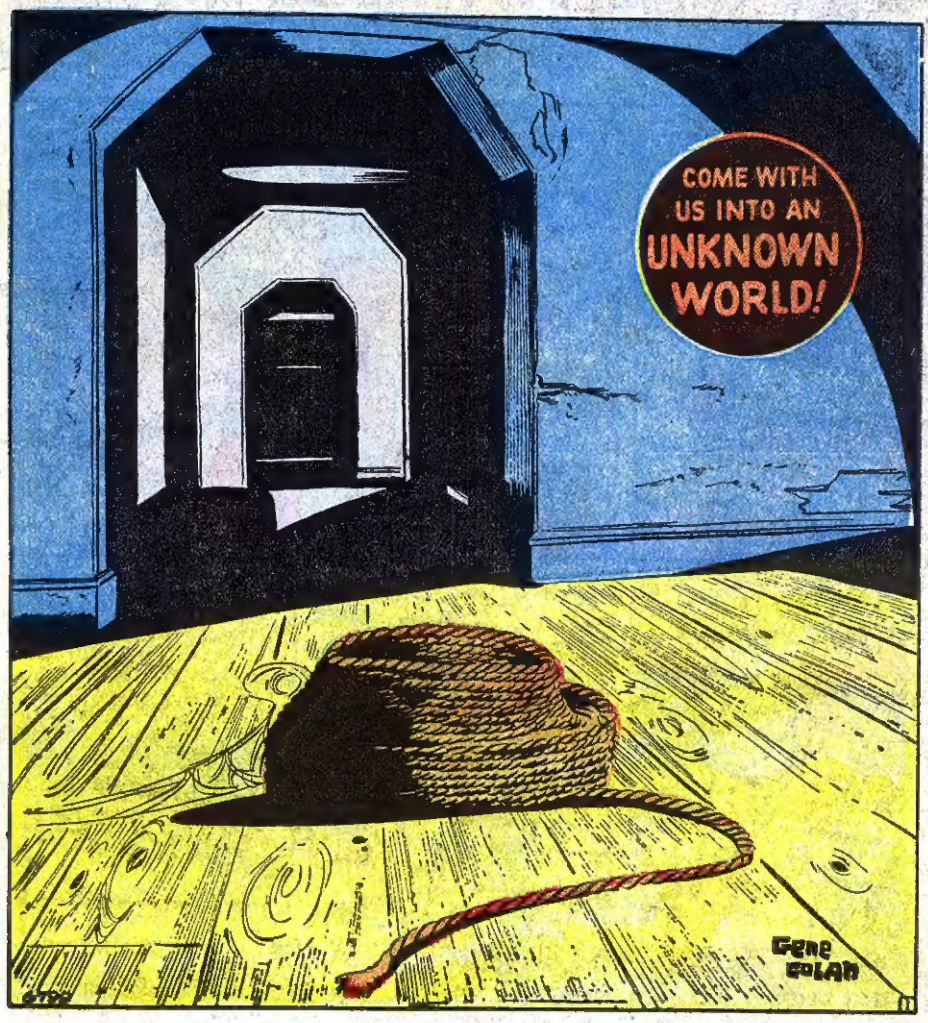
DO YOU SEE THIS COIL OF ROPE? IT'S A SPECIAL KIND OF ROPE AND IT'S BEEN LYING HERE IN THE CELLAR OF THIS OLD HOUSE FOR MANY YEARS! THE MAN WHO OWNED THIS HOUSE AND THIS ROPE MANY YEARS AGO, DISAPPEARED!

ESCAPE TO NOWHERE



BUT JIM REYNOLDS DOESN'T KNOW THAT! HE AND HIS FAMILY HAVE JUST RECENTLY BOUGHT THE HOUSE AND MOVED IN...
HURRY UP AND GET THAT GRASS CUT, JIM! THEN THERE'S A LEAK IN THE ROOF, AND...
YES, DEAR!
I'LL SNEAK AROUND THE OTHER SIDE OF THE GARAGE AND HAVE A REST! MARY'LL BE BUSY IN THE KITCHEN AND WON'T SEE!
HE LAY DOWN IN THE GRASS BEYOND THE TREES. HE COULD HEAR THE POWER MOWER OF HIS NEIGHBOR, FRANK BRADLEY...
AH, THIS IS BETTER! I SHOULD NEVER HAVE BOUGHT THIS OLD HOUSE...TOO MUCH TO DO!
MARY'S ALWAYS BEEN AT ME TO DO THIS AND DO THAT, BUT SINCE WE MOVED IN HERE, IT'S BEEN WORSE THAN EVER!
NOW, MARY... A MAN'S GOT TO HAVE SOME REST!
I MIGHT HAVE KNOWN!
JUNIOR WANTS A TIRE-SWING FROM THAT BIG OLD TREE IN BACK! FIND A PIECE OF STRONG ROPE AND FIX IT FOR HIM!
ALL RIGHT!
SHE WAS THE PRETTIEST GIRL AT SCHOOL... AND SHE'S STILL LOVELY! IF SHE ONLY WOULDN'T KEEP AT ME SO!
HERE'S THE TIRE... WHERE DO YOU WANT THIS SWING?
HANGIN' FROM THAT BIG LIMB, DADDY! I SAW SOME ROPE IN THE CELLAR!
SO JIM WENT DOWN IN THE CELLAR... AND THERE WAS THE ROPE THAT HAD BEEN OWNED BY THE MAN WHO DISAPPEARED... THE MAN JIM DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT...
MUST'VE BEEN LYING HERE A LONG TIME! BUT IT LOOKS STURDY ENOUGH!

WHEN JIM CAME OUT OF THE CELLAR WITH THE ROPE, HE HEARD JUNIOR CRYING AND HIS WIFE'S VOICE TRYING TO SOOTHE THE CHILD...
JUNIOR PROBABLY FELL AND HURT HIMSELF! OH WELL, HE'D ONLY GET IN THE WAY WHILE I'M DOING THIS ANYWAY!
JIM TIED A KNOT IN THE END OF THE ROPE AND GAVE IT A HEAVE TO LOOP IT OVER THE BIG BRANCH...
BUT INSTEAD OF LOOPING... INSTEAD OF ACTING LIKE A ROPE SHOULD AND BEING PULLED TO EARTH BY GRAVITY...
WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE? IT REMINDS ME OF SOMETHING...
THE INDIAN ROPE TRICK! A FAKIR THROWS THE ROPE UP INTO THE AIR, THEN HE CLIMBS UP IT AND WHEN HE REACHES THE TOP... HE DISAPPEARS!
DISAPPEARS! I WONDER... MARY AND JUNIOR AREN'T WATCHING...
WHEN I WAS A KID, I WAS ALWAYS FASCINATED BY THE ROPE-TRICK STORY! I ALWAYS WONDERED WHERE THE MAN WHO CLIMBED IT DISAPPEARED TO!
JIM REACHED THE TOP OF THE ROPE, AND...
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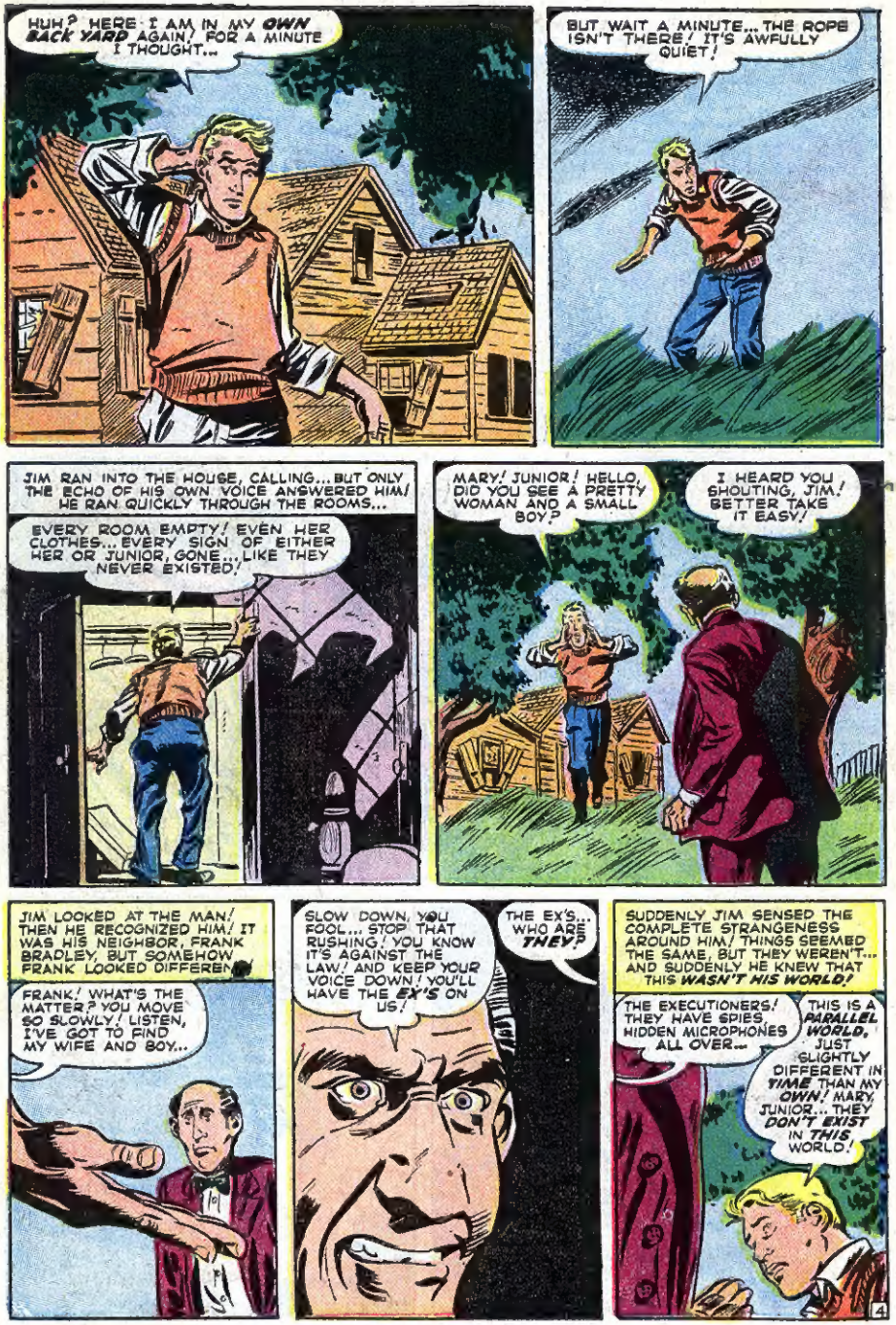
HUH? HERE I AM IN MY OWN BACK YARD AGAIN! FOR A MINUTE I THOUGHT...
BUT WAIT A MINUTE... THE ROPE ISN'T THERE! IT'S AWFULLY QUIET!
JIM RAN INTO THE HOUSE, CALLING... BUT ONLY THE ECHO OF HIS OWN VOICE ANSWERED HIM! HE RAN QUICKLY THROUGH THE ROOMS...
EVERY ROOM EMPTY! EVEN HER CLOTHES... EVERY SIGN OF EITHER HER OR JUNIOR, GONE... LIKE THEY NEVER EXISTED!
MARY! JUNIOR! HELLO DID YOU SEE A PRETTY WOMAN AND A SMALL BOY?
I HEARD YOU SHOUTING, JIM! BETTER TAKE IT EASY!
JIM LOOKED AT THE MAN! THEN HE RECOGNIZED HIM! IT WAS HIS NEIGHBOR, FRANK BRADLEY, BUT SOMEHOW FRANK LOOKED DIFFEREN
FRANK! WHAT'S THE MATTER? YOU MOVE SO SLOWLY! LISTEN, I'VE GOT TO FIND MY WIFE AND BOY...
SLOW DOWN, YOU FOOL... STOP THAT RUSHING! YOU KNOW IT'S AGAINST THE LAW! AND KEEP YOUR VOICE DOWN! YOU'LL HAVE THE EX'S ON US!
THE EX'S... WHO ARE THEY?
SUDDENLY JIM SENSED THE COMPLETE STRANGENESS AROUND HIM! THINGS SEEMED THE SAME, BUT THEY WEREN'T... AND SUDDENLY HE KNEW THAT THIS WASN'T HIS WORLD!
THE EXECUTIONERS! THEY HAVE SPIES, HIDDEN MICROPHONES ALL OVER...
THIS IS A PARALLEL WORLD, JUST SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT IN TIME THAN MY OWN! MARY, JUNIOR... THEY DON'T EXIST IN THIS WORLD!
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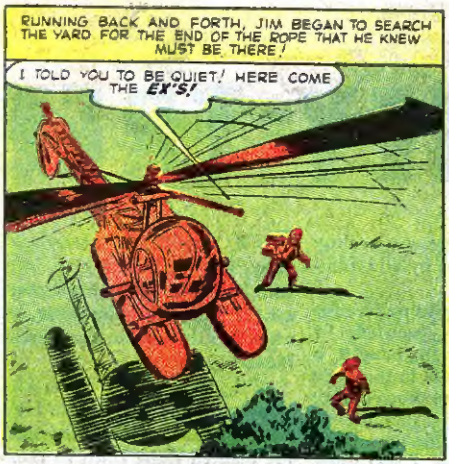
RUNNING BACK AND FORTH, JIM BEGAN TO SEARCH THE YARD FOR THE END OF THE ROPE THAT HE KNEW MUST BE THERE!
I TOLD YOU TO BE QUIET! HERE COME THE EX'S!

WAIT A MINUTE! I HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING!
YOU HAVE SHOUTED AND RUSHED AROUND! THIS IS A WORLD OF REST AND EASE! SLOWLY THIS WORLD IS LOSING ENERGY AND IT HAS BEEN DECREED THAT ANYONE WHO BURNS UP ENERGY MUST BE PUNISHED!

JIM REYNOLDS, WHY ARE YOU BURNING A PERFECTLY GOOD ROPE?
FORGET THE ROPE! I'M A CHANGED MAN! MARY, MY SWEET, FROM NOW ON, YOU'LL REALIZE THAT YOU'VE MARRIED THE HAPPIEST AND WORKINGEST MAN WHO EVER LIVED!

THE END
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THE MONEY TREE

ALL was not as peaceful as it seemed in the Anderson household. Tom Anderson, whose face normally relaxed into a genial grin, was tense and tight-featured. His wife Amy was customarily calm and composed, but now she glanced anxiously from the tall figure of her husband staring out of the living room window to her son Billy, who was busily engaged in planting out in the garden.

Finally, Tom broke the strained silence.

"I just don't know what to do with that boy," he brooded. "He's driven me to distraction. No matter how much I've tried to convince him with simple reason, he still believes he can grow a money tree in our front yard."

"You've got to be more patient, Tom," his wife said. "Time will pass, and Billy will see for himself that no money tree will sprout from the spot where he planted the penny, dime and a quarter. Remember that's a self-reliant youngster who likes to solve problems for himself. Let him learn on his own that it's a sheer impossibility."

"Patience!" her husband snorted. "This has been going on since early Spring when I did some reseeding. He's been blabbering about the money tree he planted. It's a real obsession with him, and if he keeps it up, we'll be the laughing stock of the whole neighborhood."

"Well, to a degree, you're responsibile," Amy advised him. "Last year, when he planted those carrots and bean seeds, you kept cautioning him not to be disappointed if nothing came up. He developed a lot of self-respect when he grew a healthy crop of vegetables by mid-Summer."

"I wasn't trying to undermine his faith," Tom growled. "I knew that he had bought a cheap pack of seeds in the dime store and that he wasn't very systematic in his method of planting them. I didn't want him to be disillusioned. I still think it's amazing that he got any results at all."

"Yet you acted as though you resented his success," Amy reminded him. "You never patted him on the back, and all he remembers is your constant scoffing attitude. That's why he's confident now, despite your common sense approach, *that he can really grow a money tree.*"

Tom digested all this information slowly and his features tightened further. "What really bothers me, Amy, is his conviction that he can't be wrong. And now he's resorted to subtle teasing . . ."

"Teasing, Tom," his wife protested. "I think that's going to an extreme."

"It's true, nevertheless. Remember that song we bought him? He sings it to me every time I try to talk to him about the money tree. The song is about growing things. He sings that song constantly when he works in the garden. And when I approach Billy pleasantly and ask how his project is coming along, he just looks at me wisely and answers, *'Great Oaks Grow From Little Acorns.'* It annoys me because he dismisses me as though I were just a person who couldn't possibly understand him."

"I'll admit it's annoying," Amy agreed, "but try to bear with him. Try to share his interest. It will help him later on when he's doomed to disappointment."

"I'll try, but I wish he wouldn't make it so tough. He's so serious about that money tree. He planted those coins so thoroughly. First, he dug a triangular hole and made a sand and pebble base. Then he deposited the coins and covered them with rich topsoil until he had a nice round mound. Then, he dug a small trench around the mound, just as if he really expected a tree to grow there. And look at him now. He's watering that mound carefully, just as he does every day. I'm almost tempted to dig it all up one night and end this business for good."

"You don't have much more time to wait, Tom. Soon everything will be bursting into full bloom. When all the other flowers and shrubs blossom forth, Billy will realize that his money tree isn't going to grow."

A short time passed without easing the tensions. Billy kept at his project while his mother fretted and his father fumed. Then one morning, Billy excitedly called his parents into the front yard. The three Andersons stood silently inspecting the hardy brown shaft that had emerged from the mound of earth.

"My money tree . . . my money tree," Billy shouted ecstatically. "It's popped up over-

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(WITHOUT SPENDING A PENNY)

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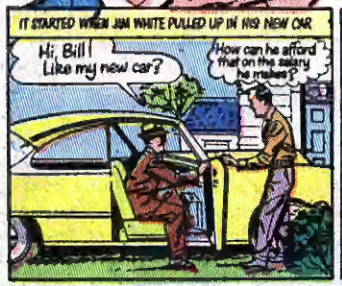

No, but maybe BETTER! I'm a Mason Shoe Man in off hours. You should see how people buy these shoes! Look, real AIR-CUSHION innersoles!
GOSH! Can I make money that way?

Jim told me Mason sends a Selling Outfit FREE and shows how to make MONEY. So I mailed a coupon. My wife was thrilled:
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Just feel that cushion, Joe! Wouldn't you like to "Walk on Air" all day long?
Say, I'd like those shoes. You sure have swell styles... my right size, too!

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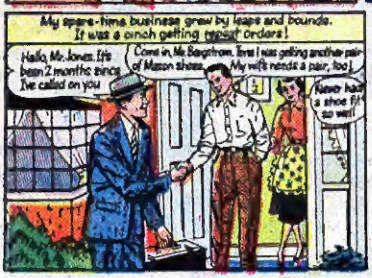
Say, you have a larger selection than a store!
Stores can't carry all the sizes and widths to fit every foot right. Mason has 200,000 pairs on hand, so I'm never 'out' of a style, size or width!


My spare-time business grew by leaps and bounds. It was a cinch getting repeat orders!
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Come in, Mr. Bergstrom. Sure I was getting another pair of Mason shoes. My wife needs a pair, too!
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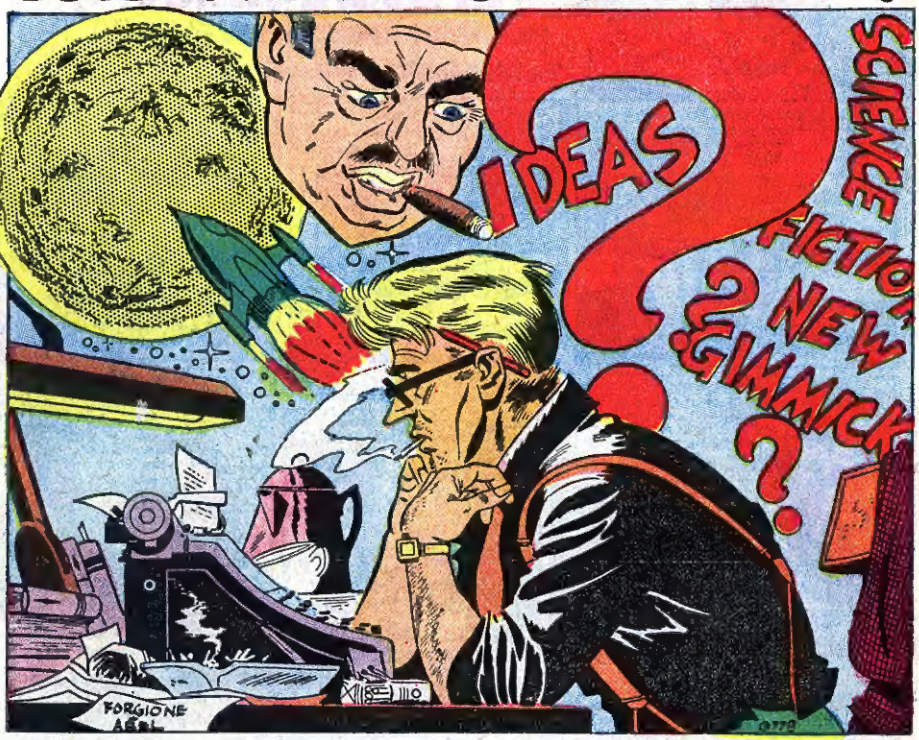
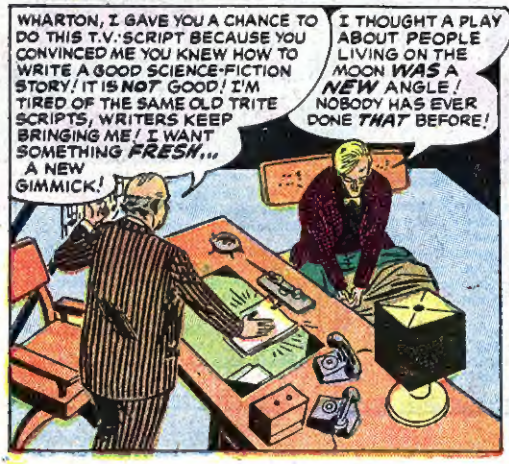
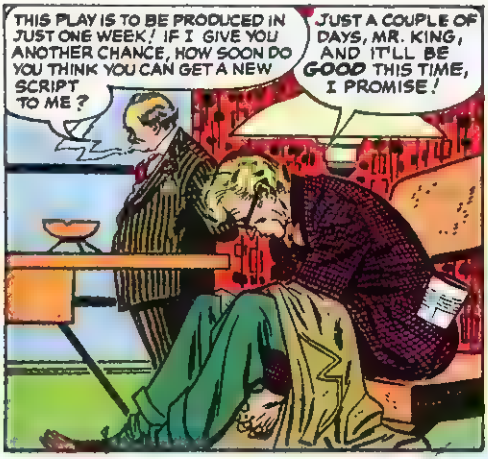
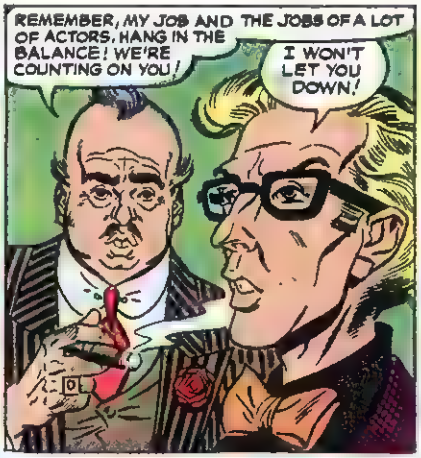
THE NEW GIMMICK!

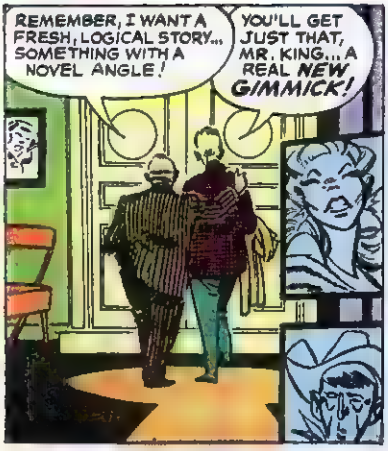



WHARTON, I GAVE YOU A CHANCE TO DO THIS T.V. SCRIPT BECAUSE YOU CONVINCED ME YOU KNEW HOW TO WRITE A GOOD SCIENCE-FICTION STORY! IT IS NOT GOOD! I'M TIRED OF THE SAME OLD TRITE SCRIPTS, WRITERS KEEP BRINGING ME! I WANT SOMETHING FRESH... A NEW GIMMICK!
I THOUGHT A PLAY ABOUT PEOPLE LIVING ON THE MOON WAS A NEW ANGLE! NOBODY HAS EVER DONE THAT BEFORE!

NOBODY HAS EVER DONE IT BEFORE BECAUSE EVERYONE AVOIDED THAT STUPID MISTAKE! AS A SCIENCE-FICTION WRITER, YOU SHOULD KNOW THERE'S NO LIFE ON THE MOON!


THIS PLAY IS TO BE PRODUCED IN JUST ONE WEEK! IF I GIVE YOU ANOTHER CHANCE, HOW SOON DO YOU THINK YOU CAN GET A NEW SCRIPT TO ME?
JUST A COUPLE OF DAYS, MR. KING, AND IT'LL BE GOOD THIS TIME, I PROMISE!

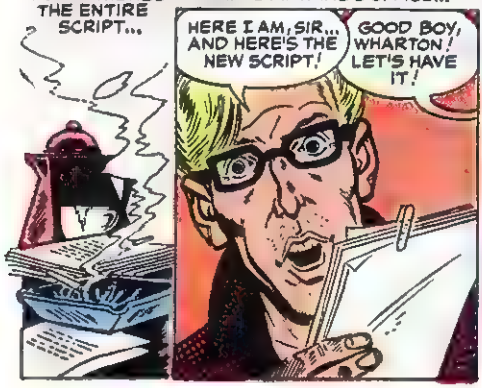




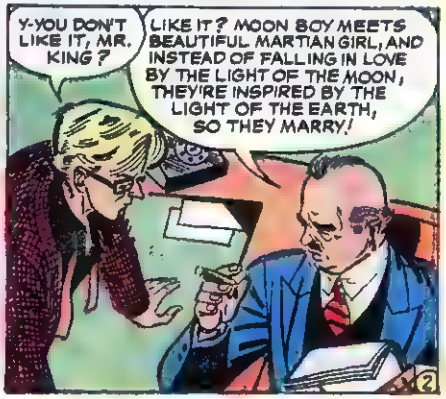
RODNEY WHARTON SAT DOWN AT HIS TYPEWRITER THE MOMENT HE GOT HOME AND KEPT POUNDING AWAY AT HIS NEW SCRIPT INTO THE EARLY HOURS OF THE MORNING...

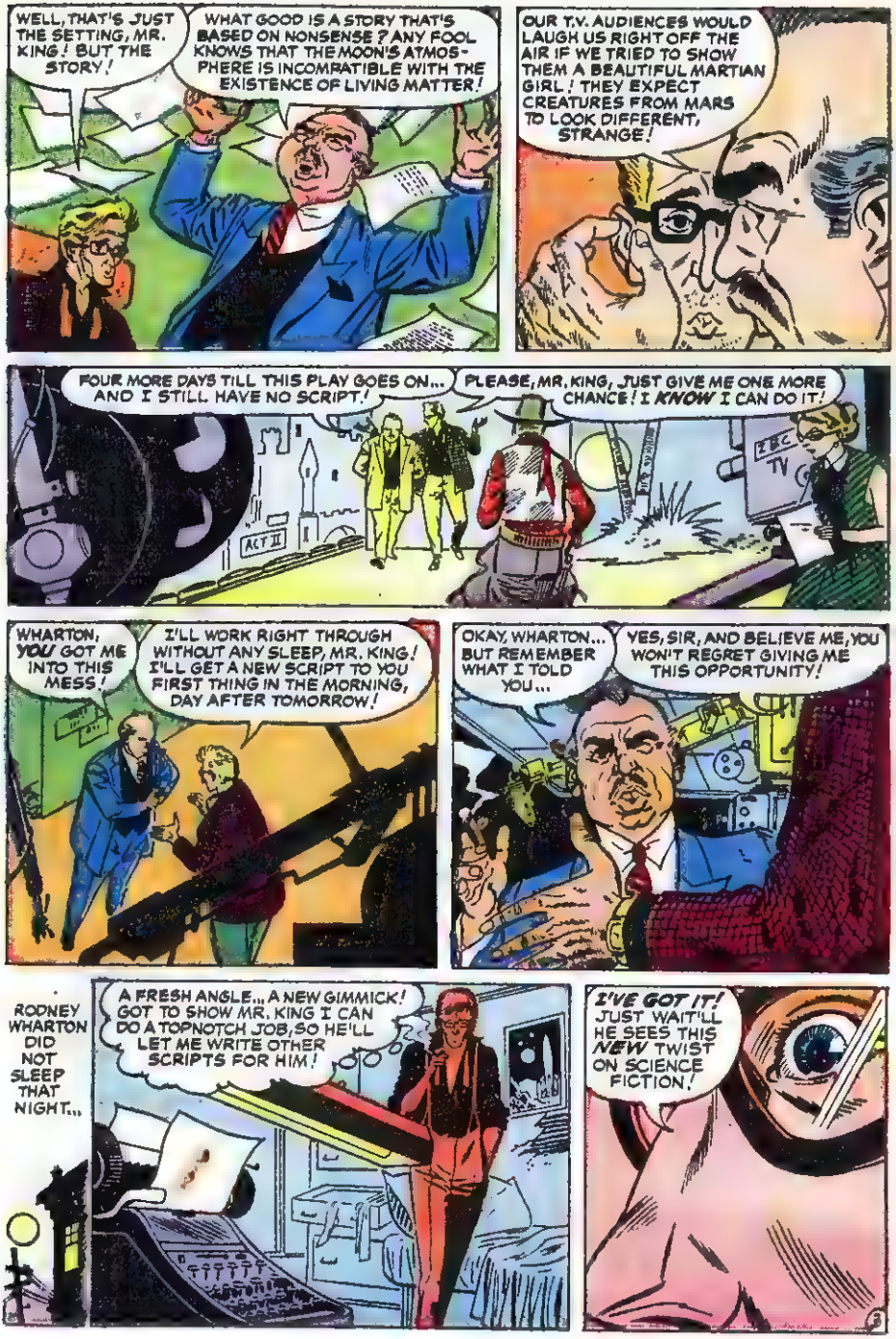
HE TYPED ON UNTIL HE'D FINISHED THE ENTIRE SCRIPT...

EARLY ON THE THIRD MORNING, HAGGARD, BUT FLUSHED WITH TRIUMPH, ROD WHARTON RUSHED INTO MR. KING'S OFFICE...



THE MORE GEORGE KING READ OF ROD'S LATEST EFFORT, THE DARKER GREW THE CLOUD UPON HIS BROW...


Y-YOU DON'T LIKE IT, MR. KING?
LIKE IT? MOON BOY MEETS BEAUTIFUL MARTIAN GIRL, AND INSTEAD OF FALLING IN LOVE BY THE LIGHT OF THE MOON, THEY'RE INSPIRED BY THE LIGHT OF THE EARTH, SO THEY MARRY!


WELL, THAT'S JUST THE SETTING, MR. KING! BUT THE STORY!
WHAT GOOD IS A STORY THAT'S BASED ON NONSENSE? ANY FOOL KNOWS THAT THE MOON'S ATMOSPHERE IS INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE EXISTENCE OF LIVING MATTER!
OUR T.V. AUDIENCES WOULD LAUGH US RIGHT OFF THE AIR IF WE TRIED TO SHOW THEM A BEAUTIFUL MARTIAN GIRL! THEY EXPECT CREATURES FROM MARS TO LOOK DIFFERENT, STRANGE!
FOUR MORE DAYS TILL THIS PLAY GOES ON... AND I STILL HAVE NO SCRIPT!
PLEASE, MR. KING, JUST GIVE ME ONE MORE CHANCE! I KNOW I CAN DO IT!
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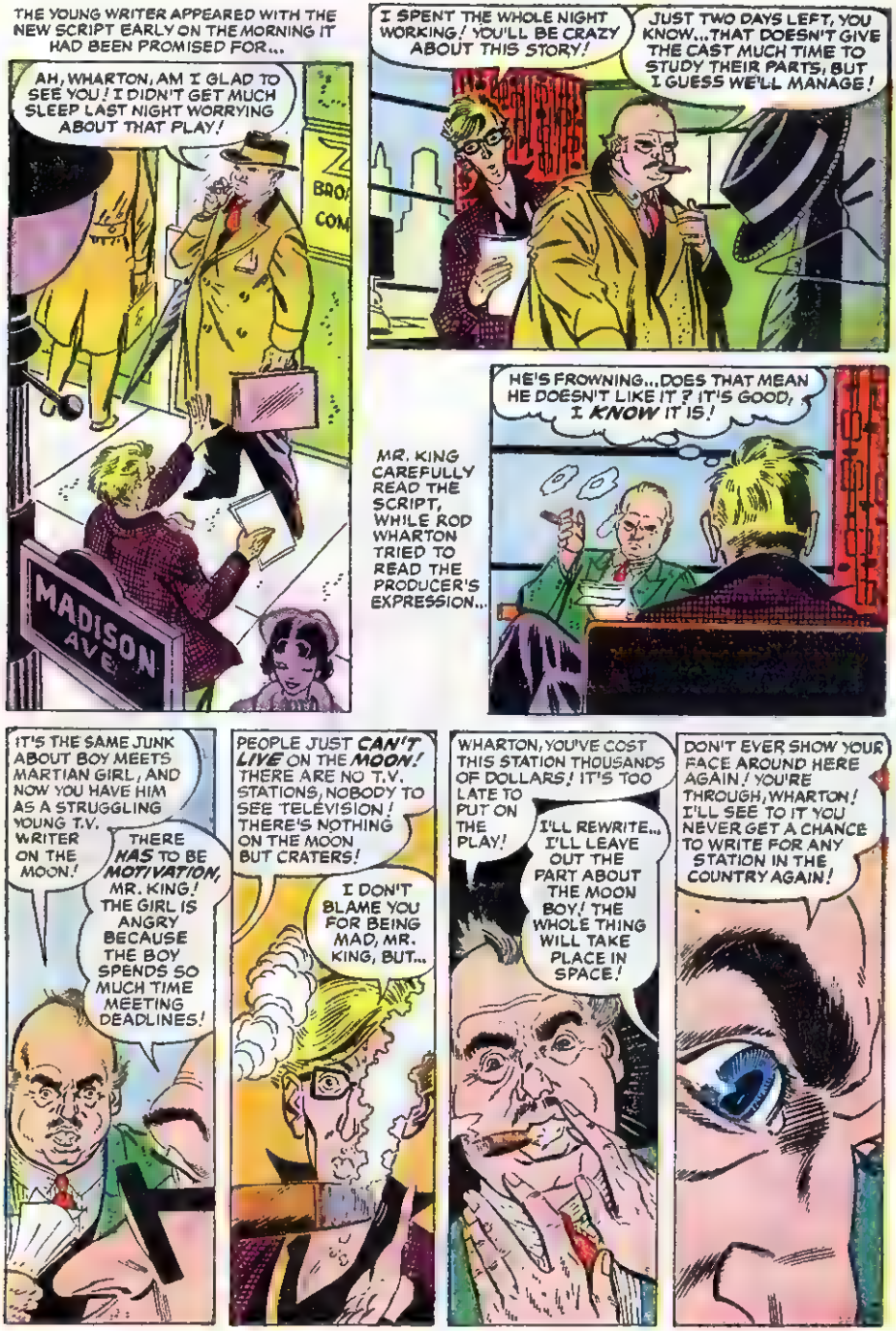
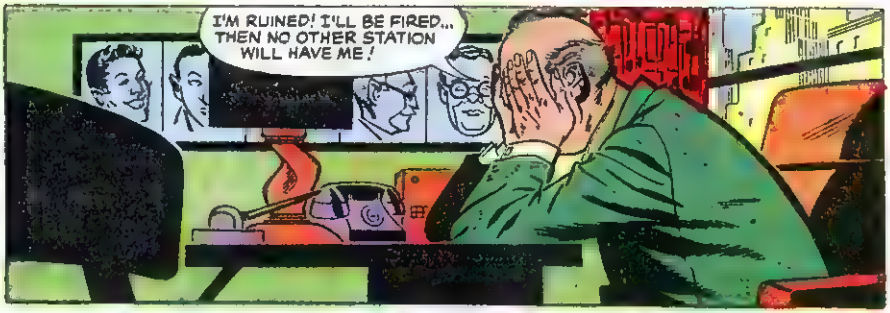
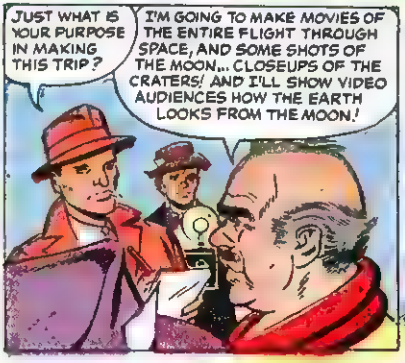
WHARTON, YOU GOT ME INTO THIS MESS!
I'LL WORK RIGHT THROUGH WITHOUT ANY SLEEP, MR. KING! I'LL GET A NEW SCRIPT TO YOU FIRST THING IN THE MORNING, DAY AFTER TOMORROW!
OKAY, WHARTON... BUT REMEMBER WHAT I TOLD YOU...
YES, SIR, AND BELIEVE ME, YOU WON'T REGRET GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY!
RODNEY WHARTON DID NOT SLEEP THAT NIGHT...
A FRESH ANGLE... A NEW GIMMICK! GOT TO SHOW MR. KING I CAN DO A TOPNOTCH JOB, SO HE'LL LET ME WRITE OTHER SCRIPTS FOR HIM!
I'VE GOT IT! JUST WAIT'LL HE SEES THIS NEW TWIST ON SCIENCE FICTION!


THE YOUNG WRITER APPEARED WITH THE NEW SCRIPT EARLY ON THE MORNING IT HAD BEEN PROMISED FOR...
AH, WHARTON, AM I GLAD TO SEE YOU! I DIDN'T GET MUCH SLEEP LAST NIGHT WORRYING ABOUT THAT PLAY!
MADISON AVE
I SPENT THE WHOLE NIGHT WORKING! YOU'LL BE CRAZY ABOUT THIS STORY!
JUST TWO DAYS LEFT, YOU KNOW...THAT DOESN'T GIVE THE CAST MUCH TIME TO STUDY THEIR PARTS, BUT I GUESS WE'LL MANAGE!
MR. KING CAREFULLY READ THE SCRIPT, WHILE ROD WHARTON TRIED TO READ THE PRODUCER'S EXPRESSION...
HE'S FROWNING...DOES THAT MEAN HE DOESN'T LIKE IT? IT'S GOOD, I KNOW IT IS!
IT'S THE SAME JUNK ABOUT BOY MEETS MARTIAN GIRL, AND NOW YOU HAVE HIM AS A STRUGGLING YOUNG T.V. WRITER ON THE MOON!
THERE HAS TO BE MOTIVATION, MR. KING! THE GIRL IS ANGRY BECAUSE THE BOY SPENDS SO MUCH TIME MEETING DEADLINES!
PEOPLE JUST CAN'T LIVE ON THE MOON! THERE ARE NO T.V. STATIONS, NOBODY TO SEE TELEVISION! THERE'S NOTHING ON THE MOON BUT CRATERS!
I DON'T BLAME YOU FOR BEING MAD, MR. KING, BUT...
WHARTON, YOU'VE COST THIS STATION THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS! IT'S TOO LATE TO PUT ON THE PLAY!
I'LL REWRITE... I'LL LEAVE OUT THE PART ABOUT THE MOON BOY! THE WHOLE THING WILL TAKE PLACE IN SPACE!
DON'T EVER SHOW YOUR FACE AROUND HERE AGAIN! YOU'RE THROUGH, WHARTON! I'LL SEE TO IT YOU NEVER GET A CHANCE TO WRITE FOR ANY STATION IN THE COUNTRY AGAIN!

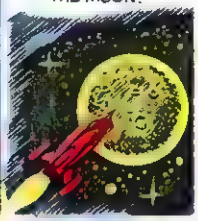


THERE WAS QUITE A STORM RAISED OVER GEORGE KING'S FAILURE TO PRODUCE THE SCIENCE-FICTION PLAY AS SCHEDULED, BUT AFTER A LONG TIME IT BLEW OVER! THEN THE PRODUCER CAME UP WITH A *NEW GIMMICK*...

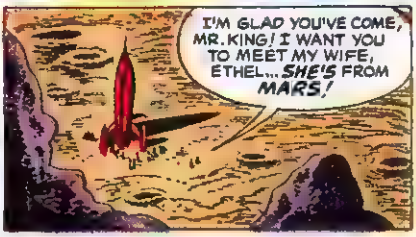
MR. KING, AREN'T YOU AFRAID TO BE GOING ON THE FIRST ROCKET TRIP?
WE'RE GOING TO THE *MOON* AND I HAVE EVERY CONFIDENCE WE'LL GET THERE SAFELY, AND RETURN!

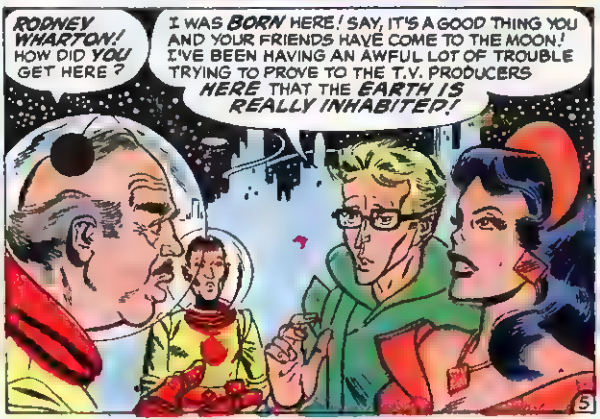

JUST WHAT IS YOUR PURPOSE IN MAKING THIS TRIP?
I'M GOING TO MAKE MOVIES OF THE ENTIRE FLIGHT THROUGH SPACE, AND SOME SHOTS OF THE MOON... CLOSEUPS OF THE CRATERS! AND I'LL SHOW VIDEO AUDIENCES HOW THE EARTH LOOKS FROM THE MOON!

SOON THE TELEVISION PRODUCER, THE CAMERA AND ROCKET CREWS SET FORTH ON THE GREATEST ADVENTURE OF ALL TIME... A TRIP TO THE MOON!



IT TOOK A WEEK FOR THE ROCKET SHIP TO REACH ITS DESTINATION! IT LANDED GENTLY, SAFELY, AND ALL ABOARD SCRAMBLED EXCITEDLY ONTO THE MOON'S SURFACE...




RODNEY WHARTON! HOW DID *YOU* GET HERE?
I WAS *BORN* HERE! SAY, IT'S A GOOD THING YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS HAVE COME TO THE MOON! I'VE BEEN HAVING AN AWFUL LOT OF TROUBLE TRYING TO PROVE TO THE T.V. PRODUCERS *HERE* THAT THE *EARTH IS REALLY INHABITED!*
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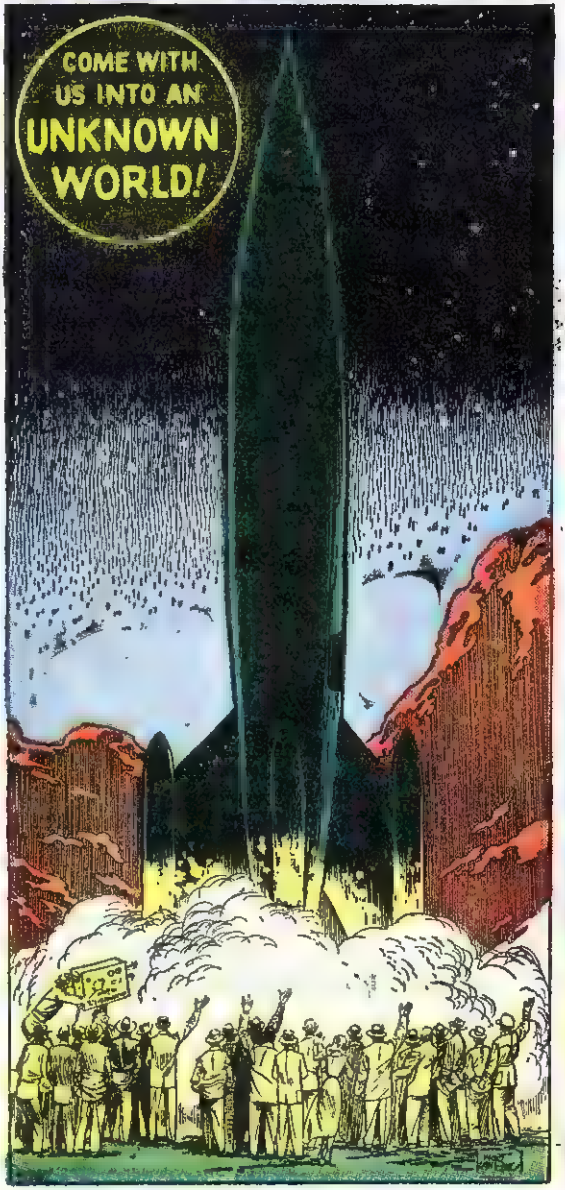
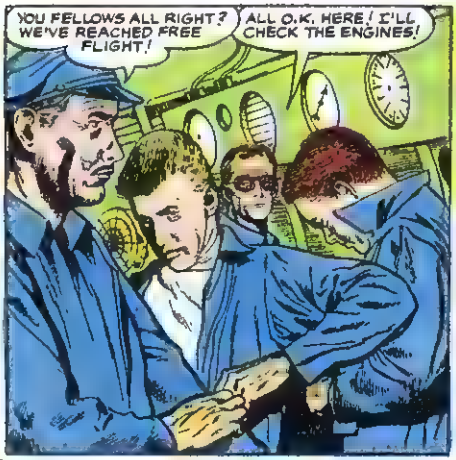
THE RED WORLD!

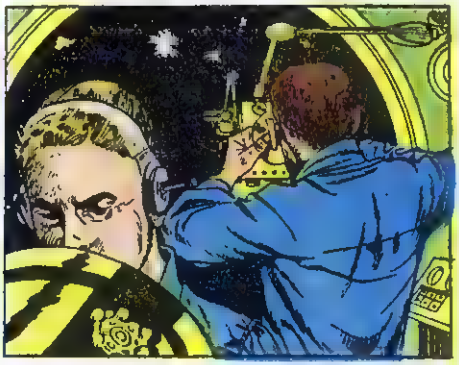


THE CREW IS A GROUP OF SELECTED MEN, TRAINED TECHNICIANS, YOUNG AND BRILLIANT SCIENTISTS, ABLE TO COPE WITH ANY EMERGENCIES!

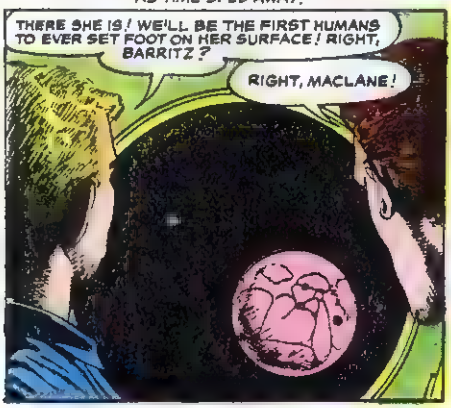
THEY ARE STRAPPED IN THEIR HAMMOCKS, UNDER THE TREMENDOUS PRESSURE OF THE SHIP'S THRUST TO LEAVE EARTH AND ITS GRAVITATIONAL PULL! THE TWO MEN YOU SEE HERE ARE PETERS, THE CAPTAIN, AND CLARKE, ASTRONOMER AND THE MAN WHO CHARTS THE FLIGHT!

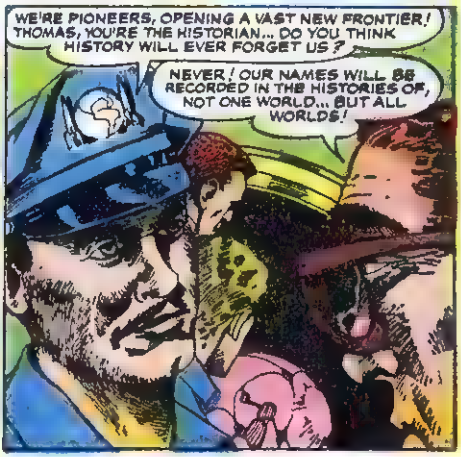


SO THE FLIGHT TO THE RED WORLD OF MARS BEGAN! AT INCREDIBLE SPEED THE GREAT SHIP MOVED THROUGH THE BLACK VOID OF SPACE! THE MEN WERE BUSY MAKING REPORTS ON ALL PHASES OF THE SHIP'S BEHAVIOR AND THE STAR-STUDDED WORLD AROUND THEM...



THE EARTH SLID AWAY UNTIL IT WAS ANOTHER SHINING STAR AND THE RED PLANET CAME CLOSER AND CLOSER, AS TIME SPED AWAY!

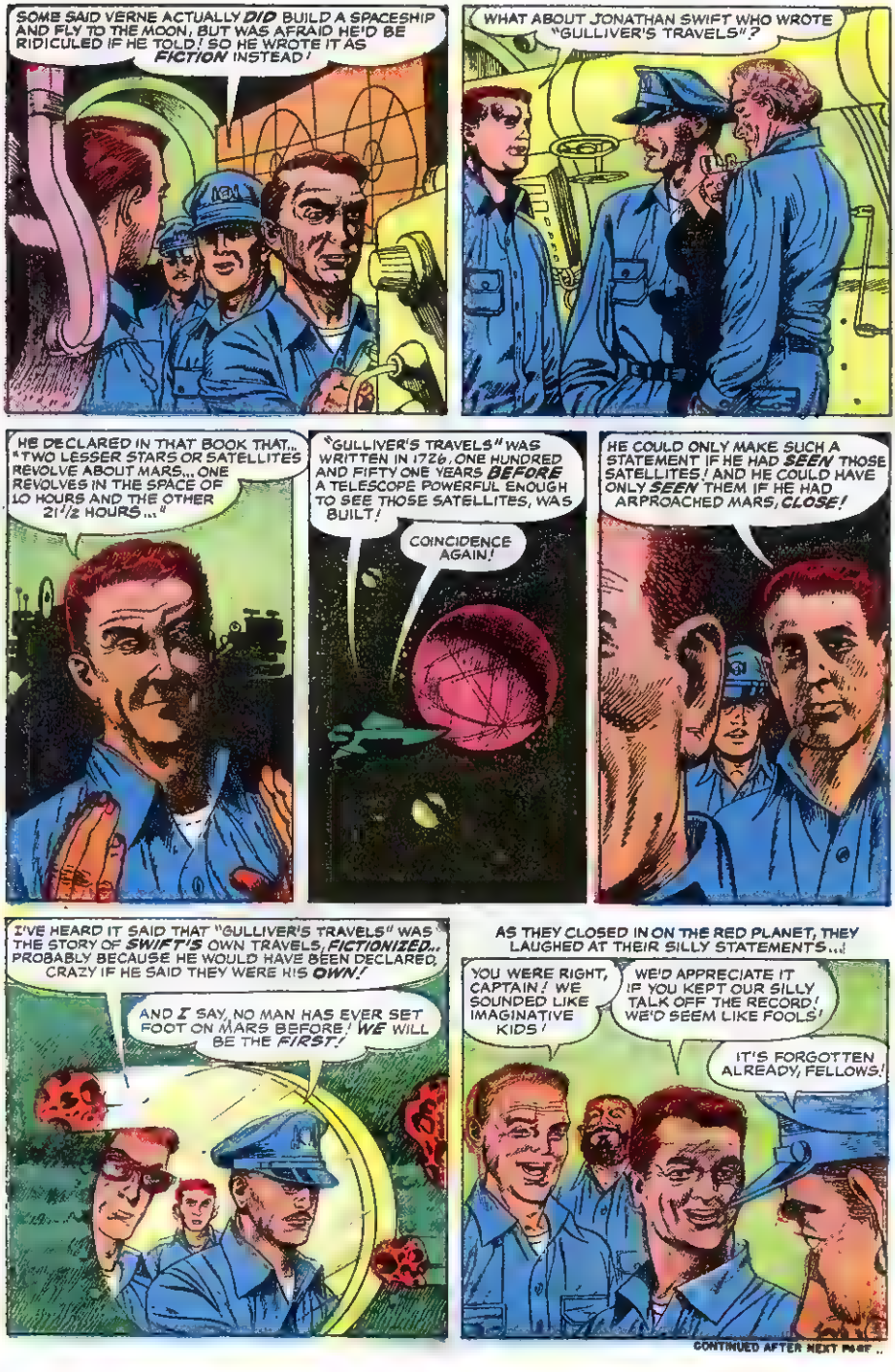



WE'RE PIONEERS, OPENING A VAST NEW FRONTIER! THOMAS, YOU'RE THE HISTORIAN... DO YOU THINK HISTORY WILL EVER FORGET US?
NEVER! OUR NAMES WILL BE RECORDED IN THE HISTORIES OF, NOT ONE WORLD... BUT ALL WORLDS!

TIME WENT ON! AND IN THAT STRANGE NIGHT CALLED SPACE, THE CREW, STABLE AS THEY WERE, BECAME RESTLESS, AND STRANGE FANCIES CAME TO THEM...

YOU DON'T SUPPOSE MAN HAS EVER COME THIS FAR BEFORE, DO YOU... I MEAN OTHER THAN OURSELVES?
OF COURSE NOT! IF SOMEONE HAD, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN RECORDED!

MY FATHER USED TO TELL ME PEOPLE SAID JULES VERNE HAD FLOWN IN A SPACESHIP TO THE MOON, AND THEN WROTE HIS FAMOUS NOVEL ABOUT A TRIP TO THE MOON! SO MANY THINGS HE WROTE WERE FOUND TO BE SO ACCURATE YEARS LATER!
COINCIDENCE, THAT'S ALL!


SOME SAID VERNE ACTUALLY DID BUILD A SPACESHIP AND FLY TO THE MOON, BUT WAS AFRAID HE'D BE RIDICULED IF HE TOLD! SO HE WROTE IT AS FICTION INSTEAD!
WHAT ABOUT JONATHAN SWIFT WHO WROTE "GULLIVER'S TRAVELS"?
HE DECLARED IN THAT BOOK THAT... "TWO LESSER STARS OR SATELLITES REVOLVE ABOUT MARS... ONE REVOLVES IN THE SPACE OF 10 HOURS AND THE OTHER 21½ HOURS..."
"GULLIVER'S TRAVELS" WAS WRITTEN IN 1726, ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY ONE YEARS BEFORE A TELESCOPE POWERFUL ENOUGH TO SEE THOSE SATELLITES, WAS BUILT!
COINCIDENCE AGAIN!
HE COULD ONLY MAKE SUCH A STATEMENT IF HE HAD SEEN THOSE SATELLITES! AND HE COULD HAVE ONLY SEEN THEM IF HE HAD ARPROACHED MARS, CLOSE!
I'VE HEARD IT SAID THAT "GULLIVER'S TRAVELS" WAS THE STORY OF SWIFT'S OWN TRAVELS, FICTIONIZED... PROBABLY BECAUSE HE WOULD HAVE BEEN DECLARED CRAZY IF HE SAID THEY WERE HIS OWN!
AND I SAY, NO MAN HAS EVER SET FOOT ON MARS BEFORE! WE WILL BE THE FIRST!
AS THEY CLOSED IN ON THE RED PLANET, THEY LAUGHED AT THEIR SILLY STATEMENTS...!
YOU WERE RIGHT, CAPTAIN! WE SOUNDED LIKE IMAGINATIVE KIDS!
WE'D APPRECIATE IT IF YOU KEPT OUR SILLY TALK OFF THE RECORD! WE'D SEEM LIKE FOOLS!
IT'S FORGOTTEN ALREADY, FELLOWS!

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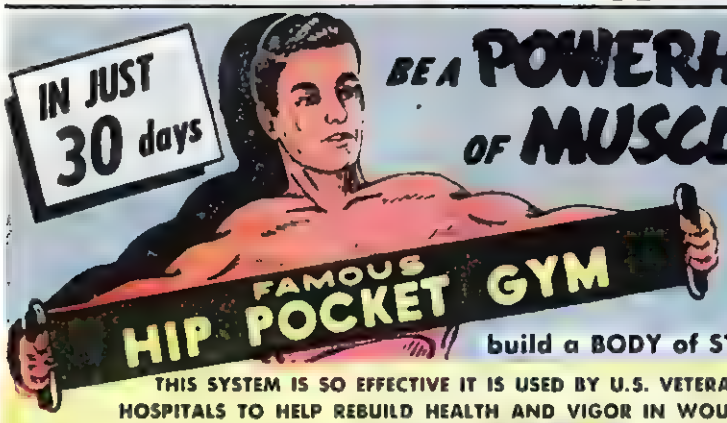

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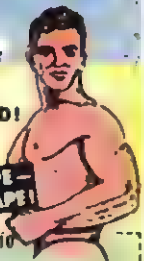

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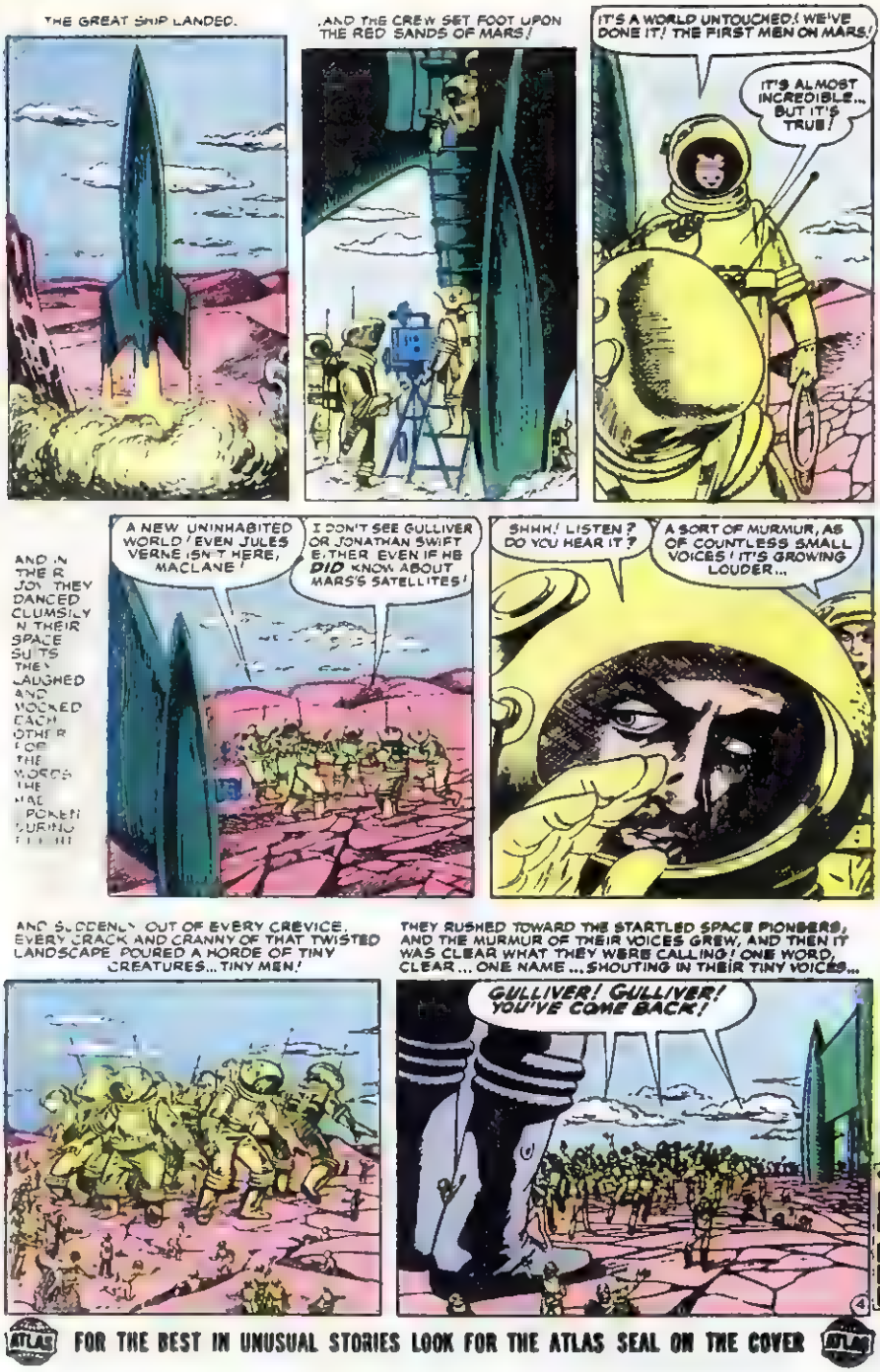
THE GREAT SHIP LANDED.
AND THE CREW SET FOOT UPON THE RED SANDS OF MARS!
IT'S A WORLD UNTOUCHED! WE'VE DONE IT! THE FIRST MEN ON MARS!
IT'S ALMOST INCREDIBLE... BUT IT'S TRUE!
AND IN THEIR JOY THEY DANCED CLUMSILY IN THEIR SPACE SUITS THEY LAUGHED AND MOCKED EACH OTHER FOR THE WORDS THE HAD SPOKEN DURING THE FLIGHT
A NEW UNINHABITED WORLD! EVEN JULES VERNE ISN'T HERE, MACLANE!
I DON'T SEE GULLIVER OR JONATHAN SWIFT EITHER EVEN IF HE DID KNOW ABOUT MARS'S SATELLITES!
SHHH! LISTEN? DO YOU HEAR IT?
A SORT OF MURMUR, AS OF COUNTLESS SMALL VOICES! IT'S GROWING LOUDER...
AND SUDDENLY OUT OF EVERY CREVICE, EVERY CRACK AND CRANNY OF THAT TWISTED LANDSCAPE POURED A HORDE OF TINY CREATURES... TINY MEN!
THEY RUSHED TOWARD THE STARTLED SPACE PIONEERS, AND THE MURMUR OF THEIR VOICES GREW, AND THEN IT WAS CLEAR WHAT THEY WERE CALLING! ONE WORD, CLEAR... ONE NAME... SHOUTING IN THEIR TINY VOICES...
GULLIVER! GULLIVER! YOU'VE COME BACK!
THE END
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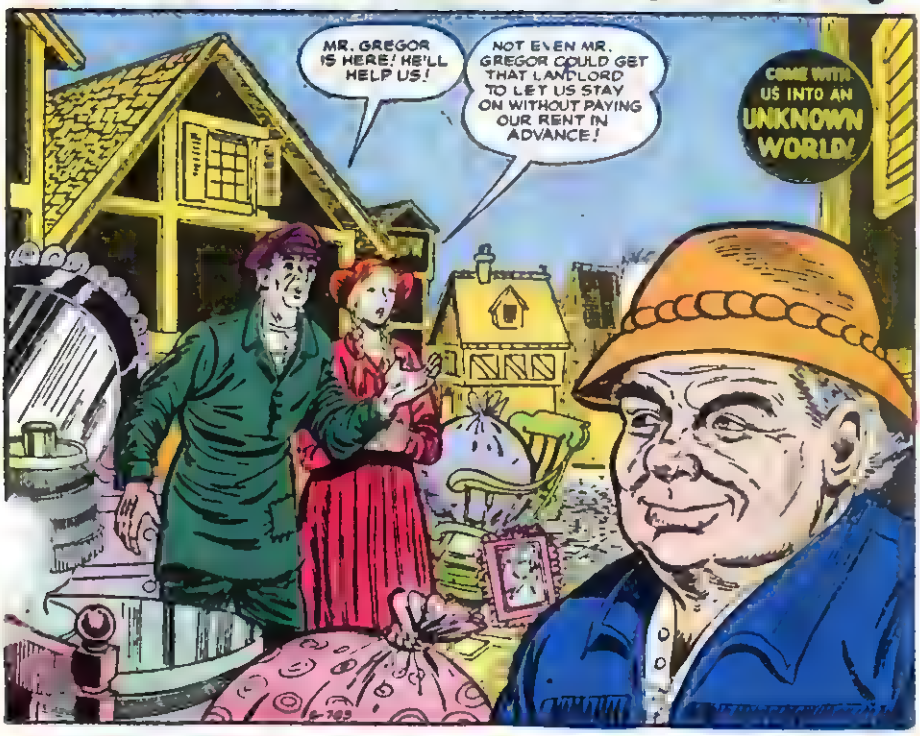
FOR THE BEST IN UNUSUAL STORIES LOOK FOR THE ATLAS SEAL ON THE COVER

HE SEEMED LIKE AN ORDINARY MAN IN THIS YEAR OF 1827, BUT WHEN HE TOUCHED HIS LOOSE, FLOPPY HAT, AMAZING THINGS WOULD HAPPEN AND NO ONE COULD GUESS WHAT WAS THE STARTLING SECRET...

UNDER HIS HAT!


MR. GREGOR IS HERE! HE'LL HELP US!
NOT EVEN MR. GREGOR COULD GET THAT LANDLORD TO LET US STAY ON WITHOUT PAYING OUR RENT IN ADVANCE!
COME WITH US INTO AN UNKNOWN WORLD!

IT IS NOT LAZINESS THAT KEEPS YOU FROM MAKING MONEY TO PAY THE RENT?
NO, MR. GREGOR! FOR TEN YEARS I WORKED AT THE TINSMITH'S GUILD! LAST MONTH, I WAS LET OUT AND HAVE FOUND NO WORK SINCE!

AND AS MR. GREGOR STANDS ON THE STREET OF A MIDDLE EUROPEAN TOWN, RUBBING HIS CAP, SUDDENLY...
...LOOK! WE'RE INSIDE A HOUSE!
BUT NOW...?
MR. GREGOR, COME IN AND SEE! IT'S ABSOLUTELY ASTOUNDING!
WELL, YOU NEEDED A HOME...
TAKE OFF YOUR HAT AND HAVE SOME TEA!
I'LL TAKE THE TEA BUT MY HAT STAYS ON!
A FEW DAYS LATER, MR. GREGOR WANDERS IN A NEARBY FIELD...
NOTHING CAN BE GROWING HERE THIS TIME OF THE YEAR!
MAYBE SOMEONE FORGOT A POTATO AT HARVEST TIME! JUST A FEW VEGETABLES ARE ALL I NEED TO KEEP ME GOING!
WHY DO YOU RUB YOUR HAT LIKE THAT, MR GREGOR?
A NERVOUS REACTION WHEN I THINK! AND RIGHT NOW, I'M THINKING THAT YOU HAVE OVERLOOKED SOME FOOD IN YOUR CUPBOARD!
RETURNING WITH THE WOMAN TO HER HOME, MR. GREGOR SMILES AT THE INCREDULOUS LOOK ON HER FACE AS SHE OPENS HER CUPBOARD.
IT'S COMPLETELY FILLED WITH FOOD! BUT AN HOUR AGO, IT WAS EMPTY!
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QUICKLY, THE ASTOUNDED WOMAN TELLS HER STRANGE STORY...
HE JUST RUBBED HIS HAT, AND FOOD APPEARED!
HE'S A MAGICIAN!
HE MUST BE! BUT WHAT IS UNDER HIS HAT? THAT'S WHAT GIVES HIM HIS MAGICAL POWERS!
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MAYBE THE HAT HIDES A PIECE OF THE PHILOSOPHER'S STONE WHICH POSSESSES SPECIAL POWERS!
MAYBE HIS HAIR IS LONG AND THAT GIVES HIM HIS MAGICAL ABILITIES!
BUT NEVER ONCE DOES ANYONE HAVE A CHANCE TO SEE WHAT IS UNDER THE LOOSE-FITTING HAT...
WELCOME, MR. GREGOR! I'LL HAVE A FINE DINNER READY IN A MOMENT!
THANKS! IT LOOKS SO CHEERY IN HERE!
ONCE AND FOR ALL, I'LL END THIS MYSTERY! LOOK SHARP WHEN I PULL OFF HIS HAT!
BUT AS ALL EYES FOCUS ON THE STRANGE HAT, AND THE MAN REACHES FOR IT...
NO! MR. GREGOR WISHES TO WEAR HIS HAT WHEREVER HE GOES, AND WE RESPECT HIS WISHES HERE!
HELP ME! MY SON WANDERED OFF IN THE WOODS! IT WILL BE DARK SOON!
GRAB LANTERNS AND LET'S GO!
HE'S RUBBING HIS HAT! HE ALWAYS DOES THAT BEFORE ONE OF HIS AMAZING DEEDS!
LOOK BY THE SECOND BRIDGE OVER THE EAST POND!
THE SECOND BRIDGE IS THIS WAY! HURRY!
THAT'S A LONG WALK FOR A THREE-YEAR OLD BOY! HE COULDN'T BE THERE!
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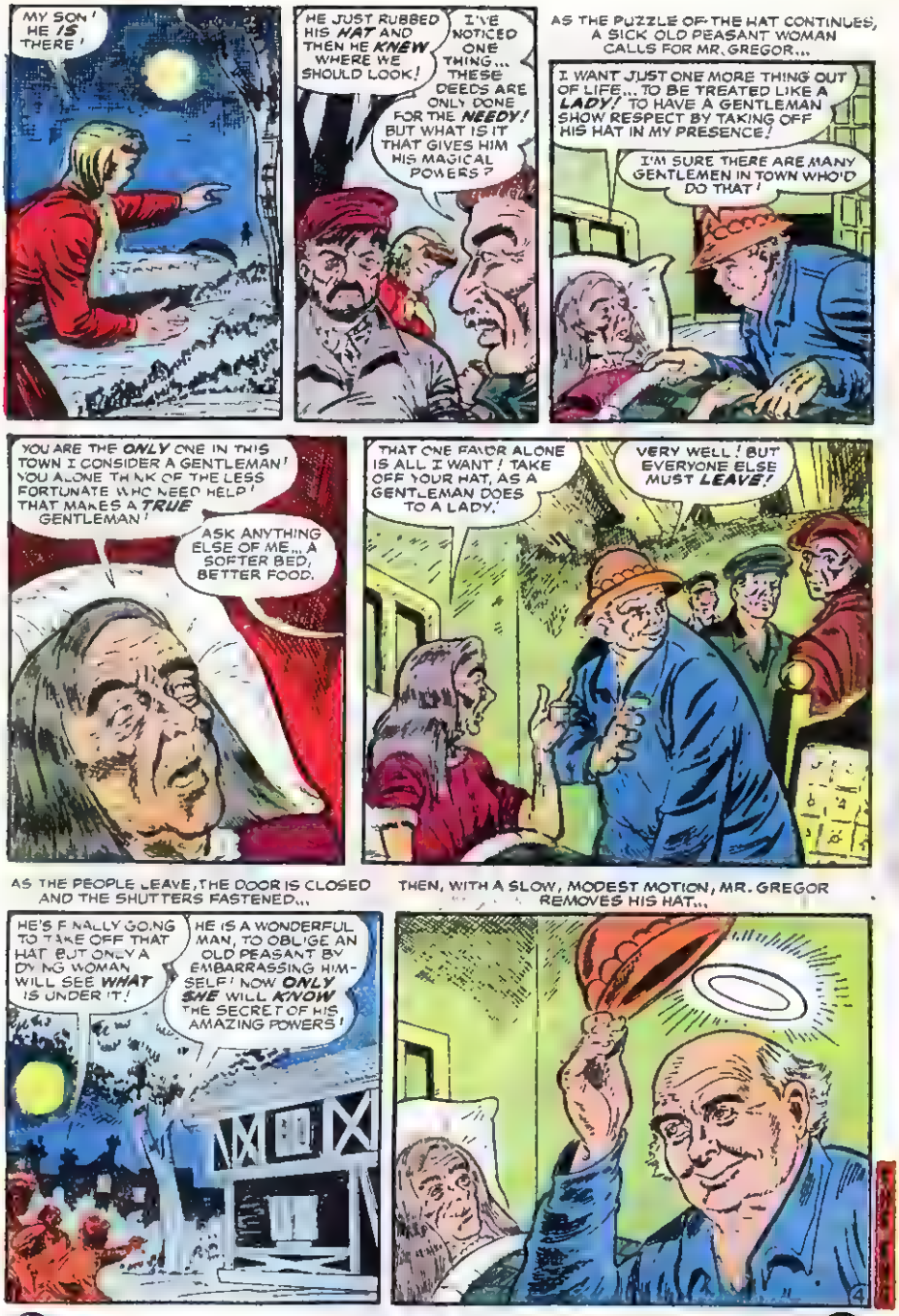
MY SON! HE IS THERE!
HE JUST RUBBED HIS HAT AND THEN HE KNEW WHERE WE SHOULD LOOK!
I'VE NOTICED ONE THING... THESE DEEDS ARE ONLY DONE FOR THE NEEDY! BUT WHAT IS IT THAT GIVES HIM HIS MAGICAL POWERS?
AS THE PUZZLE OF THE HAT CONTINUES, A SICK OLD PEASANT WOMAN CALLS FOR MR. GREGOR...
I WANT JUST ONE MORE THING OUT OF LIFE... TO BE TREATED LIKE A LADY! TO HAVE A GENTLEMAN SHOW RESPECT BY TAKING OFF HIS HAT IN MY PRESENCE!
I'M SURE THERE ARE MANY GENTLEMEN IN TOWN WHO'D DO THAT!
YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE IN THIS TOWN I CONSIDER A GENTLEMAN! YOU ALONE THINK OF THE LESS FORTUNATE WHO NEED HELP! THAT MAKES A TRUE GENTLEMAN!
ASK ANYTHING ELSE OF ME... A SOFTER BED, BETTER FOOD.
THAT ONE FAVOR ALONE IS ALL I WANT! TAKE OFF YOUR HAT, AS A GENTLEMAN DOES TO A LADY.
VERY WELL! BUT EVERYONE ELSE MUST LEAVE!
AS THE PEOPLE LEAVE, THE DOOR IS CLOSED AND THE SHUTTERS FASTENED...
HE'S FINALLY GOING TO TAKE OFF THAT HAT BUT ONLY A DYING WOMAN WILL SEE WHAT IS UNDER IT!
HE IS A WONDERFUL MAN, TO OBLIGE AN OLD PEASANT BY EMBARRASSING HIMSELF! NOW ONLY SHE WILL KNOW THE SECRET OF HIS AMAZING POWERS!
THEN, WITH A SLOW, MODEST MOTION, MR. GREGOR REMOVES HIS HAT...
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night and is really starting to grow."

His parents exchanged mystified glances.

"I don't want to give you the wrong impression, Tom," Amy began. "I don't believe in this any more than you do . . . but that shaft is growing directly from that mound where Billy planted the coins."

"I'll admit that's true," Tom said slowly, "but we have no way of telling that some other seed might have blown in there while Billy was planting. You and I *know positively* that you can't grow a tree from metal, and there are no germinating seeds in pennies, dimes or quarters. Let's wait and watch. Probably it will turn out to be a birch or an elm."

"Now, Tom, you know that trees don't grow that way either," Amy reproved. "They require careful planting and supervision."

But the Andersons waited patiently and watched anyway. And while they did, the young shoot took hold and grew astonishingly. Within six weeks, it matured into a full-grown tree and developed curled-up pods that were like any other leaves, with one startling difference. Some of the leaves took on a bright copper tone while others had an unusual silver sheen. Tom and Amy were troubled, but Billy oozed confidence.

"I told you I'd grow a money tree," he chortled. "Just wait and see. We'll have pennies, dimes and quarters sprouting from every leaf. Then won't you be proud of me."

For once, Tom was strangely silent. He shrugged his shoulders in dull resignation. His neighbors and the local press, however, were far more intrigued. By the time the leaves uncurled, the Anderson front lawn was jammed with curious onlookers while reporters busied themselves interviewing neighbors when Tom Anderson refused any comment and photographers took shots of the tree from all angles.

Finally, a delegation descended upon the Andersons from Washington, D. C. In the group were a few FBI men, a coin mint expert from the Treasury Department, the nation's foremost botanist, and the President's most trusted aide. The FBI men were worried about the possible effect on the nation's economy. The Treasury man was concerned with the possible counterfeiting of U. S. coins. The botanist was preoccupied with the new species of mint

tree. And the Andersons were worried about their son, Billy.

It was an impressive group that studied the leaves as they flowered fully and opened. There, nestled in the pouch of every leaf, was a shiny new coin. The copper leaves held as many as four or five pennies. The silver leaves contained a cluster of dimes or two quarters.

A small mobile lab had been moved into the Anderson household. The coins were tested for their metal content, their strength, and the words and numbers engraved indelibly upon them. Outside the botanist studied the leaves and the bark of the tree with fascination while a cordon of armed guards kept out the curious spectators. Finally, the experts were ready with their report.

"The coins are genuine in every respect," the mystified Treasury man announced . . . "The tree is a mutation that has never appeared before," the delighted botanist exclaimed . . . "The government is prepared to buy your property for any reasonable sum you name," the President's aide stated solemnly to the Andersons. "We cannot allow this tree to fall into the hands of irresponsible people."

Of course, the Andersons gladly sold their property. They wanted to cooperate with the government and they also wished to be freed from the mob of curiosity seekers and fortune hunters. And Billy was quite content to sell the tree, since it had been clearly established that he had succeeded in his wildest dream.

For a while, there was a panic of money tree planting throughout the world. But it soon faded out, for no one was able to duplicate Billy's feat. The former Anderson home was made into a National Shrine, closely patrolled by police and visited by thousands of tourists. And the government more than made up its original purchase price by charging small admission fees to the public.

Every year in late Spring, the tree blossoms beautifully. When the pods open, there is always a fair assortment of bright new coins. The Andersons are resettled in a new community where they are trying to readjust to normal, quiet living. They are a happy, harmonious family once more.

Sometimes, however, Tom still gets that tense, tight-featured look. That's when Billy starts to putter eagerly in the garden during early Spring.

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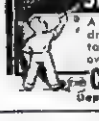

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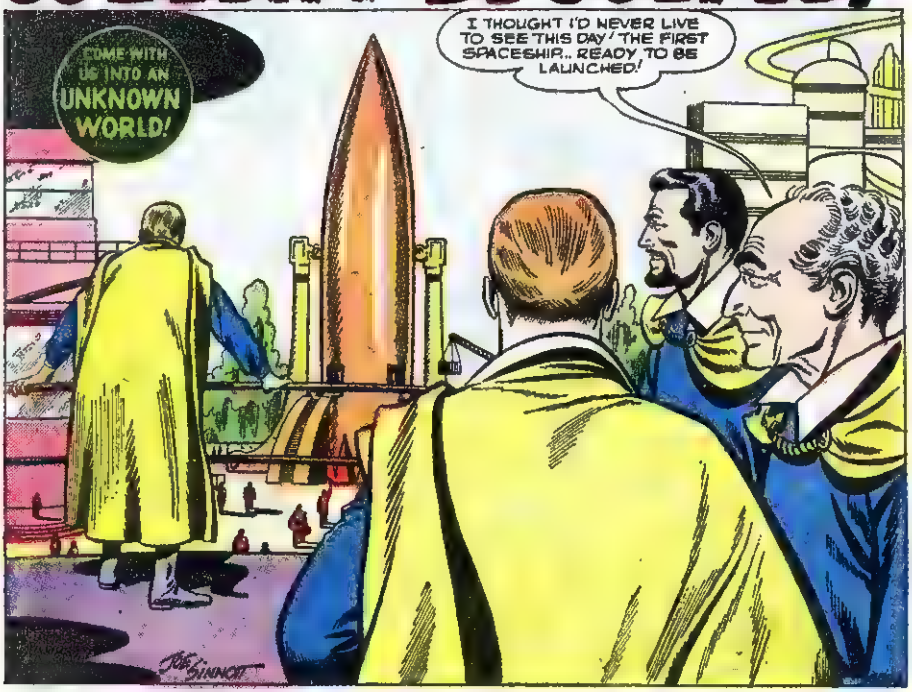
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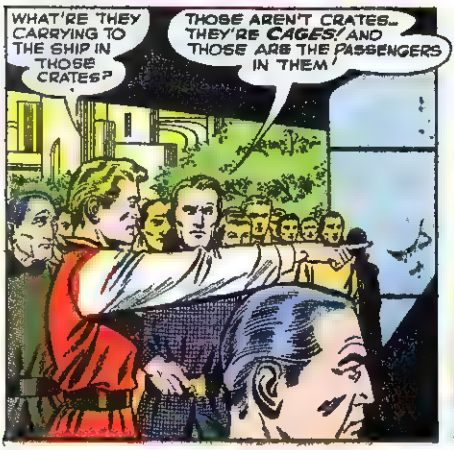
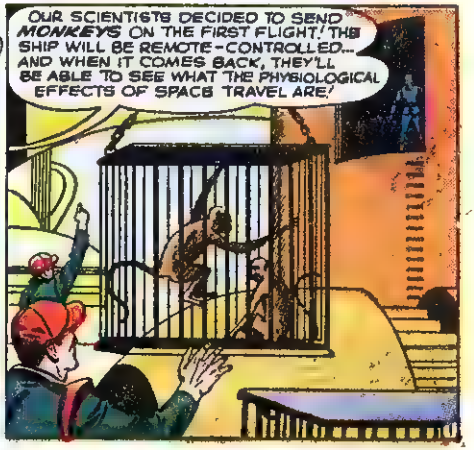
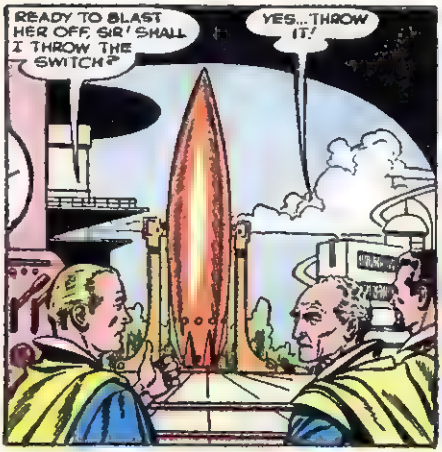
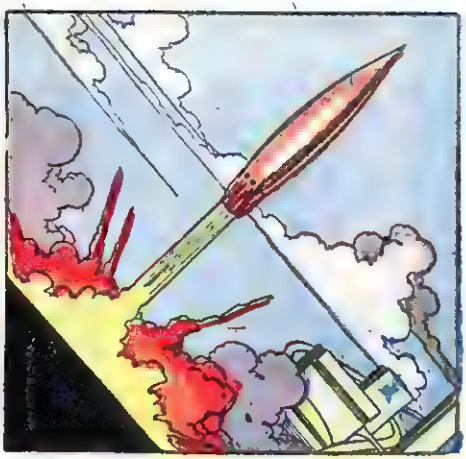
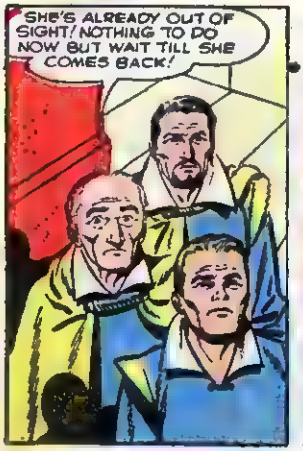


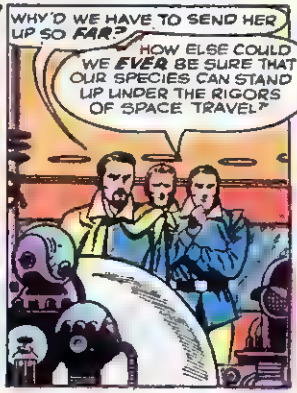

OUR SCIENTISTS DECIDED TO SEND **MONKEYS** ON THE FIRST FLIGHT! THE SHIP WILL BE REMOTE-CONTROLLED... AND WHEN IT COMES BACK, THEY'LL BE ABLE TO SEE WHAT THE PHYSIOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF SPACE TRAVEL ARE!



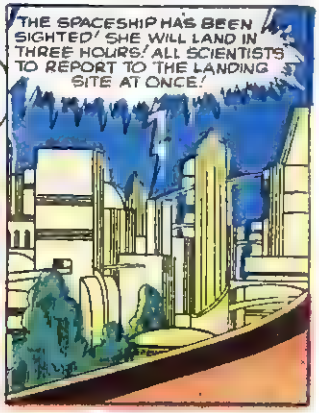




SO MUCH DEPENDS ON THE RESULTS OF THIS FLIGHT! THE SCIENTISTS WAIT ANXIOUSLY..


WHY'D WE HAVE TO SEND HER UP SO FAR?
HOW ELSE COULD WE EVER BE SURE THAT OUR SPECIES CAN STAND UP UNDER THE RIGORS OF SPACE TRAVEL?

AFTER A WHOLE MONTH HAS PASSED...



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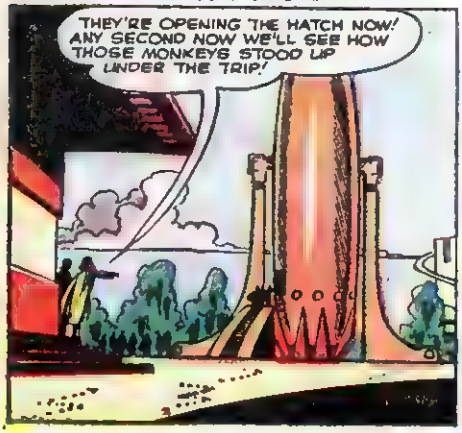
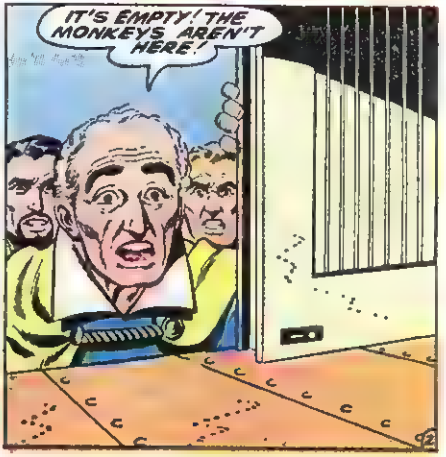
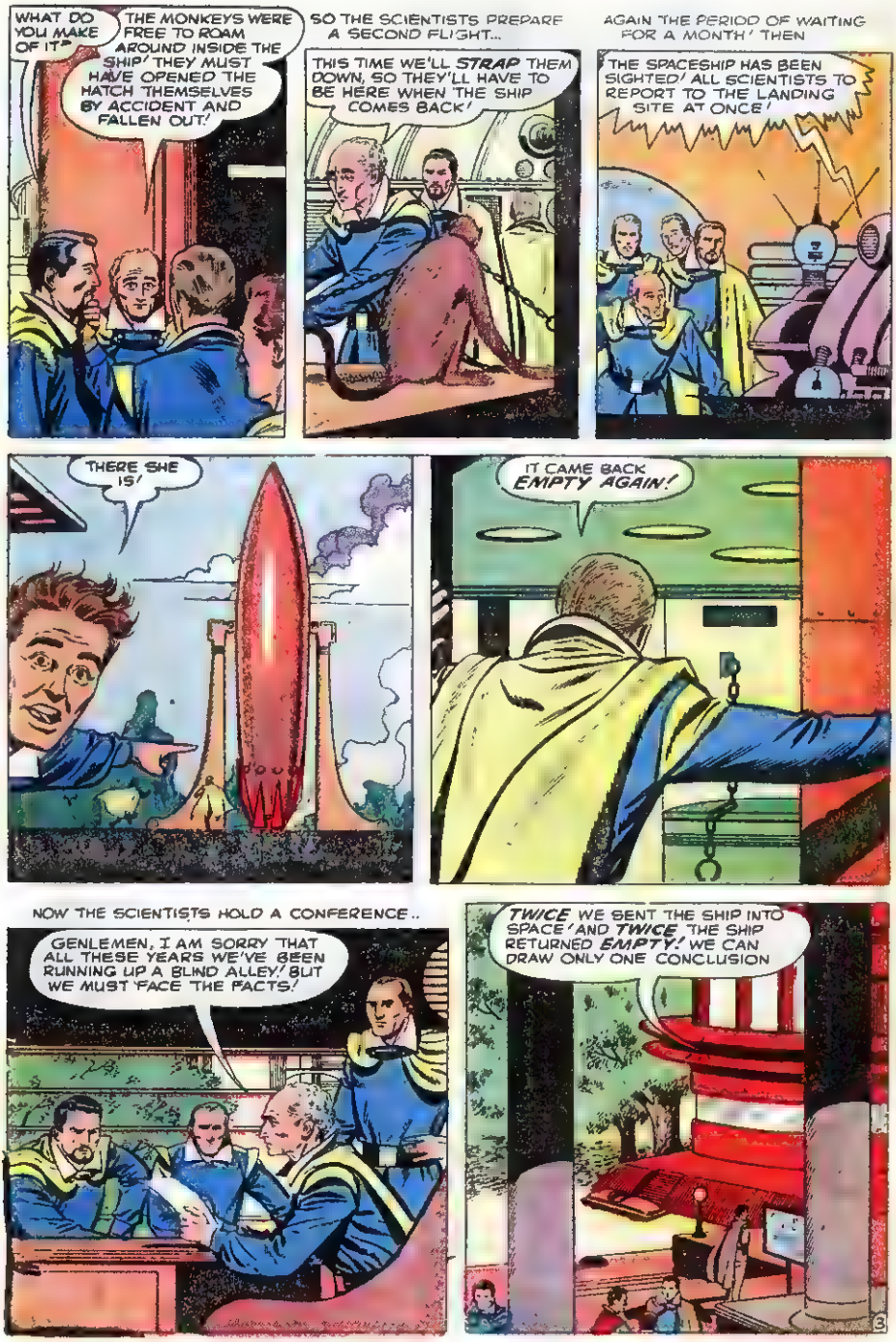
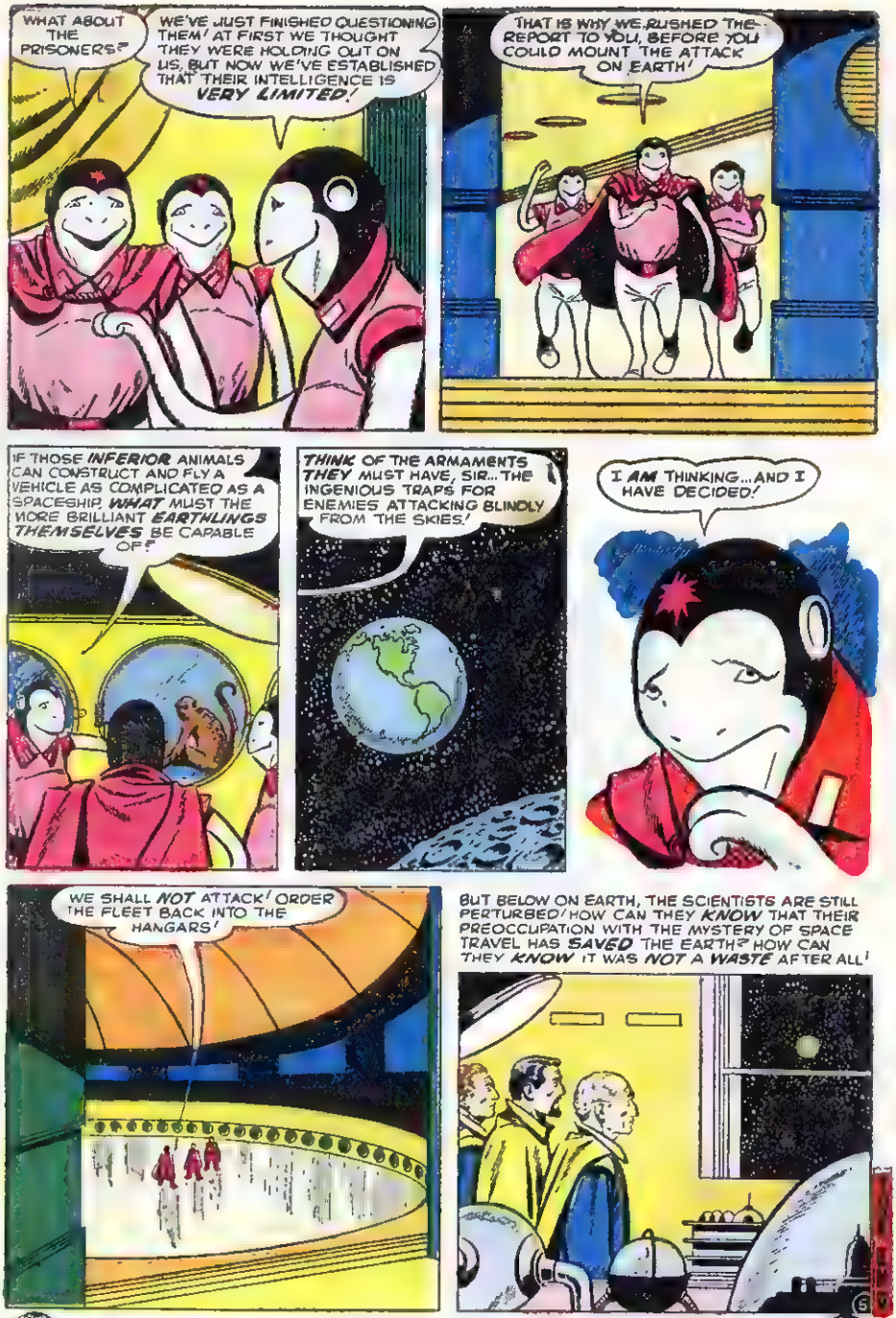





WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF IT?
THE MONKEYS WERE FREE TO ROAM AROUND INSIDE THE SHIP! THEY MUST HAVE OPENED THE HATCH THEMSELVES BY ACCIDENT AND FALLEN OUT!
SO THE SCIENTISTS PREPARE A SECOND FLIGHT...
THIS TIME WE'LL STRAP THEM DOWN, SO THEY'LL HAVE TO BE HERE WHEN THE SHIP COMES BACK!
AGAIN THE PERIOD OF WAITING FOR A MONTH! THEN
THE SPACESHIP HAS BEEN SIGHTED! ALL SCIENTISTS TO REPORT TO THE LANDING SITE AT ONCE!
THERE SHE IS!
IT CAME BACK EMPTY AGAIN!
NOW THE SCIENTISTS HOLD A CONFERENCE..
GENLEMEN, I AM SORRY THAT ALL THESE YEARS WE'VE BEEN RUNNING UP A BLIND ALLEY! BUT WE MUST FACE THE FACTS!
TWICE WE SENT THE SHIP INTO SPACE AND TWICE THE SHIP RETURNED EMPTY! WE CAN DRAW ONLY ONE CONCLUSION

SPACE TRAVEL RESULTS IN THE DISINTEGRATION OF BODY CELLS! THEREFORE, NO HUMAN COULD EVER SURVIVE A TRIP INTO SPACE! THE MYSTERY OF OUTER SPACE WILL REMAIN UNFATHOMABLE FOR ALL TIME!
ALL PLANS FOR SPACE TRAVEL MUST BE ABANDONED FOREVER! I NOW MOVE THAT THIS CONFERENCE BE ADJOURNED!
ALL OF US WORKING ON NOTHING ELSE BUT THIS PROBLEM, SURE THAT OUR WORK WOULD BENEFIT MANKIND... AND NOW THE WHOLE THING ADDS UP TO ZERO! WHAT A WASTE!
MEANWHILE, ON AN UNCHARTED PLANET IN OUTER SPACE...
HOW ARE THE PRISONERS DOING?
YOU MEAN THE TWO CREWS OF THAT SPACESHIP FROM EARTH, SIR? THEY'RE STILL BEING QUESTIONED!
QUITE CLEVER OF US, SENDING THAT SHIP BACK EMPTY BOTH TIMES, WASN'T IT? IT MUST HAVE MYSTIFIED THE EARTHLINGS!
WHEN WE MOUNT OUR ATTACK, THEIR WILL TO RESIST WILL ALREADY HAVE BEEN IMPAIRED!
THE FLEET IS ASSEMBLED, SIR, AWAITING YOUR ORDERS!
WITH THAT FLEET, WE HAVE CONQUERED PLANETS FAR STRONGER THAN EARTH! THIS ATTACK WILL BE...
SIR... THE PRISONERS!


WHAT ABOUT THE PRISONERS?
WE'VE JUST FINISHED QUESTIONING THEM! AT FIRST WE THOUGHT THEY WERE HOLDING OUT ON US, BUT NOW WE'VE ESTABLISHED THAT THEIR INTELLIGENCE IS VERY LIMITED!
THAT IS WHY WE RUSHED THE REPORT TO YOU, BEFORE YOU COULD MOUNT THE ATTACK ON EARTH!
IF THOSE INFERIOR ANIMALS CAN CONSTRUCT AND FLY A VEHICLE AS COMPLICATED AS A SPACESHIP, WHAT MUST THE MORE BRILLIANT EARTHLINGS THEMSELVES BE CAPABLE OF?
THINK OF THE ARMAMENTS THEY MUST HAVE, SIR... THE INGENIOUS TRAPS FOR ENEMIES ATTACKING BLINDLY FROM THE SKIES!
I AM THINKING... AND I HAVE DECIDED!
WE SHALL NOT ATTACK! ORDER THE FLEET BACK INTO THE HANGARS!
BUT BELOW ON EARTH, THE SCIENTISTS ARE STILL PERTURBED! HOW CAN THEY KNOW THAT THEIR PREOCCUPATION WITH THE MYSTERY OF SPACE TRAVEL HAS SAVED THE EARTH? HOW CAN THEY KNOW IT WAS NOT A WASTE AFTER ALL!

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